

Mail Prep and Entry Steering Committee Meeting

February 19, 2013

- **Welcome**
- **Deliverables/Updates since 01/10/13**
- **Review Discussion Items**
- **Review Ideas in Benefit/Effort Matrix**
- **Discuss Remaining Open Ideas in Log**
- **Next Steps and Wrap Up**

- **RIBBS Webpage**
 - Landing page for MP/E Steering Committee officially launched on 12/20/12
 - All presentations, meeting notes, roster and ideas log updated through 1/31/13

- 75 ideas submitted to date
 - 16 ideas closed
 - Out of scope, withdrawn or re-assigned
 - 11 ideas completed
 - Postal Bulletin articles and DMM revisions announced
 - 29 ideas included in Benefit/Effort matrix
 - 19 ideas need Change/Improvement Analysis template submitted

DMM Revisions to Date

	Federal Register Proposed Rule	Federal Register Final Rule	Postal Bulletin article	DMM revision effective
OMX/Mixed ADC Require separation / containerization of OMX (L201) and MADC (L009); required at 100 lbs if palletizing	6/29/12	9/24/12	10/18/12 Optional	1/27/13 Required
Single Piece Unit Handling & Containerization FCM and STD single piece price trays may be placed on existing pallet level; Origin Entry (FCM) or MXD NDC (STD)	10/23/12	12/20/12	8/23/12 Optional	9/4/12 Optional 1/27/13 Required
Change 24 Piece Sack Rule for Periodicals Increase minimum requirement to 72 pieces; optional at 24	NA	NA	11/1/12	1/27/13

DMM Revisions to Date

	Federal Register Proposed Rule	Federal Register Final Rule	Postal Bulletin article	DMM revision effective
Eliminate QSGs 201b, 703, 705a-f, 707a Removal of advanced mail prep and brief DMM section guides	NA	NA	10/18/12 Comments closed 12/31/12	3/4/13
DSCF Eligibility Enable DSCF price for 5D (FSS zone) pallet entry at FSS sites	NA	NA	2/21/13	4/1/13
3D/5D SCH vs. 3D/5D trays/handling units Scheme trays must be made before making any 5-digit or 3-digit trays	NA	NA	3/7/13	4/1/13

- FCM palletization label requirements (BC/NBC)
 - No final decision by USPS to move forward at this time
 - If revision moves forward, it will be timed to align with other software releases
- Allow Commingle/CoMail of BPM and Standard Flats
 - Internal USPS discussion with stakeholders still ongoing
 - Item will be referred as appropriate for resolution

- Evaluate increasing max PER weight to 24 oz for co-mail pools
 - Benefits
 - More mail in machineable flats environment
 - More carrier routed volume
 - Potential service benefit
 - Data Analysis
 - 0.6% of PER total volume is between 20-24 oz
 - Does not factor impact of individual mailings
 - Operational Impacts
 - FSS vs. non-FSS environment
 - Non-automation sites
 - AFSM 100 and APPS/APBS

- Evaluate increasing max PER weight to 24 oz for co-mail pools
 - Pricing Impacts
 - Cost coverage
 - Next Steps
 - Engineering group will provide additional info on operational impacts on FSS, AFSSM 100 and bundle sorting equipment
 - Subgroup will weigh all information to determine if revision to current CSR is appropriate

- Explore changing the FSS bundle prep standard from optional to required
 - Benefits
 - Reduction in number and cost of handling bundles
 - More mail in FSS environment
 - Potential for better cost coverage
 - Possible service benefit
 - Data Analysis
 - Currently about 25% of total flat volume in FSS
 - Operational Impacts
 - Bypass upstream bundle and piece distribution

- Explore changing the FSS bundle prep standard from optional to required
 - Mailer Impacts
 - SCF vs. facility pallets
 - Compensated vs. non-compensated bundles
 - Costs to create bundles
 - Next Steps
 - Continue to assess impacts to mailers of all sizes
 - Evaluate need for carrier route prep in FSS zones
 - Consider how current prep rules relate to future state

- Palletization and Containerization requirements for Full-Service
 - Affects container placarding and IMcb
 - Software considerations
 - Clarification in Intelligent Mail Guide to Letters and Flats
 - Intelligent Mail container barcode (IMcb) required on labels placed on pallets or other containers when mail is containerized
 - Full-Service mailings submitted for acceptance and verification at Detached Mail Unit (DMU) must be containerized

- 6 pc and 10 pc minimums for flats
 - Is there value to current minimums?
 - Should there be a minimum package thickness for flats?
- Mixed origin tray ridealong on DSCF pallet
 - Is there impact on mail processing?
 - Is there impact to visibility?

Benefit/Effort Matrix

High Priority

Medium Priority

Not Rated

Item #6: Reduce time moving mail between bundle and piece sorts	Item #8: FCM 500 Piece Manifest Rule	Item #64: Re-examine 6 and 10 piece minimum for flats
Item #10: FCM Palletization Rules Confusing	Item #11: Non-automation Presort rules	Item #65: Minimum package thickness for flats presort
Item #12: CSA Management	Item #21: Eliminate CR prep for STD & PER Ltrs	Item #66: Presort verification for flats in DMUs
Item #13: Allow Commingle/CoMail of BPM and Standard Flats	Item #23: Origin Entry Separation	
Item #22: FSS Prep Requirement	Item #26: Bundle processing bottleneck and problems	
Item #28: Increase 20 oz machinable weight limit	Item #36: Postage Statement Separations	
Item #35: Single Piece Commercial Rate	Item #37: MLOCR - Permit Fee	
Item #42: Maintain Comail Benefits for FSS	Item #44: Requirement to re-qualify mail	
Item #43: Cost Based Rates Study	Item #59: Current requirement of 100 unique addresses for NCOALink	
Item #60: IMB FC ACS / Non-Auto & SP	Item #61: ACS W Records are charged to customers	
Item #63: Eliminate CR bundles in FSS zones	Item #62: Carrier management of UAA mail and NIXIE information	
Item #70: Streamline DMM for merged pallets	Item #73: Combining SCF Pallets	
Item #72: Mxd Origin Tray Ridealong	Item #74: Removal of Origin Sack Mail	

19 Open Items on Ideas Log

Item #3: Drop Shipments at Cross Dock Hubs	Item #52: Labeling List Validations	
Item #4: DDU entry for non-FSS flats	Item #53: Co-located facilities for DDUs	
Item #14: 5 digit/FSS Scheme pallets	Item #54: DMM Section 246 in conflict with LL data	
Item #18: Carrier Route Prep in combined DDUs	Item #55: Identifying whether ASF is co-located within an NDC facility or not	
Item #24: Reduce/Eliminate sacks	Item #56: Induction points and entries for Military and offshore addresses	
Item #32: Pallet Minimums for Drop Ship	Item #58: USPS needs to understand how MSP's are presorting files	
Item #33: Allow MADC/MAADC bundles on MNDC pallets for flats	Item #68: Streamline linking of new entry to payment process	
Item #38: Price vs. service level vs. time of day for different pts in USPS operations	Item #71: Conflict in DMM language regarding presentation of Mxd AADC trays	
Item #39: Narrow the focus of what defines a mailing		
Item #40: Allow merging of classes when using same operation scheme		
Item #41: Allow drop ship discounts at piece handling and bundle handling ops		

- Schedule Webinar date/time
 - March 14, 2013, 2pm - 3pm EST
 - April 11, 2013, 2pm – 3pm EST
- Identify Topics to Discuss
- Next Face to Face Meeting
 - May 14, 2013, 9am -12 noon EST
- Wrap up